## Mini Protein dG Calculations

This tutorial is meant to be run from the cluster.

First, we'll source pmx before doing any mutation:

Then, we'll copy the tutorial files to home directory:

```
`cp -r /zfshomes/nwells/tutorial_files ~`
cp -r /home/nwells/tutorial files ~
```

And we'll define a script directory environment variable to keep things simple. You will need to do this each time you log into the cluster or else your environment will be reset:

```
`script_dir=~/tutorial_files/scripts`
```

Then we can prepare a directory with two .pdb files: one with W in one state, and the other with W in the other state. We'll call these state\_A.pdb and state\_B.pdb. Ultimately, we will be calculating the dG of state A to state B.

```
`mkdir ~/tutorial_test`
# you can name this whatever you want, just be consistent.
`cp ~/tutorial files/state*.pdb ~/tutorial test`
```

Now is when you want to mutate your .pdb files. Ask me for help if you're unsure how to do that.

I recommend you first run it on the 'WT' protein to see if you can replicate the 0 kJ mol result from my simulations.

```
`cd ~/tutorial test`
```

Then, we'll prepare the systems. The script `multidir\_ddg\_amber.sh` will create three trials (trial\_1-3), each containing a state\_A and state\_B directory. In each of these state\_A and state\_B directories, the script will energy-minimize and equilibrate your proteins. At the end, you will end up with a state\_A and state\_B directory, each containing three directories (/01, /02, and /03), each containing the run input file topol.tpr that we will use to generate our equilibrium trajectories.

*From* ~/tutorial test, run the command:

```
`bsub < $script_dir/multidir_ddg_amber.sh`</pre>
```

Next, we will run the equilibrium trajectories in /state\_A (wt) and /state\_B (mut). We will use GROMACS multidir, which runs three simulations per job to better utilize GPU resources. This means one job for all three /state A simulations, and the same for state B:

```
`cd ~/tutorial_test/state_A` `bsub < $script_dir/mdrun.sh`
`cd ~/tutorial test/state B` `bsub < $script dir/mdrun.sh`</pre>
```

On the exx96 nodes these jobs get around 220 ns/day, so this step should take around 11 hours to run.

The next step is to prepare the morph simulations from our equilibrium trajectories. We first need to put the trajectories in their correct places. From ~/tutorial test, run:

```
`for i in $(seq 1 3); do rm -r trial_$i/state_A/mdrun trial_$i/state_B/mdrun; mv state_A/0$i trial_$i/state_A/mdrun; mv state_B/0$i trial_$i/state_B/mdrun; done`

`for i in $(seq 1 3); do cd trial_$i/state_A/mdrun; cp traj.trr final.trr; cd ../../state_B/mdrun; cp traj.trr final.trr; cd ../../..; done`
```

This next step will submit 3 jobs which generate our morph directories. These jobs will extract one snapshot from each nanosecond of each equilibrium trajectory and place it in its own directory so we can run a morph trajectory on it. Again, run from ~/tutorial test.

```
'for i in $(seq 1 3); do rm -r ~/tutorial_test/trial_$i/state_A/morphes; rm -r ~/tutorial_test/trial_$i/state_B/morphes; done' if redo
   `for i in $(seq 1 3); do cd trial_$i/state_A; bsub <
    $script_dir/mutprep.sh ; cd ../state_B; bsub <
    $script_dir/mutprep.sh; cd ../..; done`</pre>
```

## each ~morphes/ will only have frame\*.pdb in it after this step

You should now have a directory called /morphes in each of your trial\_\$x/state\_y directories, for a total of 6 /morphes directories. Each morph directory should have 100 frames in it, each with a .pdb file corresponding to that nanosecond of the equilibrium trajectory. To check, you can type `ls trial \*/state\*/morphes/\*` from ~/tutorial\_test.

Once those jobs have finished (a few minutes), we can mutate our snapshots and prepare them for simulation:

```
`for i in $(seq 1 3); do cd trial_$i/state_A/morphes; bsub <
$script_dir/mutrunA.sh ; cd ../../state_B/morphes; bsub <
$script_dir/mutrunB.sh; cd ../../..; done`</pre>
```

## each ~morphes/ will only have topol.top in it after this step (plus other files)

These scripts call the pmx mutate.py and generate\_hybrid\_topology.py scripts, as well as some solvation and charge neutralization similar to what's done in prep\_amber.sh.

The next step is to run the morphs. This is probably the most time-consuming set of jobs. From  $\sim$ /tutorial test, run:

```
`for i in $(seq 1 3); do cd trial_$i/state_A/morphes; bsub <
$script dir/morphruns.sh; cd ../../..; cd</pre>
```

```
trial_$i/state_B/morphes; bsub < $script_dir/morphruns.sh; cd
../../..; done`</pre>
```

These jobs will take around 15 hours to complete on the hp12 queue.

The final step is to collect the data and analyze it using pmx and some in-house scritps.

```
`for i in $(seq 1 3); do cd trial_$i;
$script_dir/make_morph_dirs.sh; cd ..; done`
`bsub < $script dir/dhdl together.sh`</pre>
```

Once this job has finished, you should have an /analysis folder with data corresponding to different "chunks" of the data. For example, /upto50 has data for just the first 50ns of the simulation trajectory.

To analyze this data, you can look at the wplot.png file in /analysis/upto100, which will give you the dG and standard error of the mean for your three trials together. This number corresponds to the delta-G of the W flip for your given protein. Copy this file to valine:

```
`scp analysis/upto100/wplot.png val:`
```